

Whereas African-American music is indigenous to the United States and originates from African genres of music;

Whereas African-American genres of music such as gospel, blues, jazz, rhythm and blues, rap, and hip-hop have their roots in the African-American experience;

Whereas African-American music has a pervasive influence on dance, fashion, language, art, literature, cinema, media, advertisements, and other aspects of culture;

Whereas the prominence of African-American music in the 20th century has reawakened interest in the legacy and heritage of the art form of African-American music;

Whereas African-American music embodies the strong presence of, and significant contributions made by, African-Americans in the music industry and society as a whole;

Whereas the multibillion dollar African-American music industry contributes greatly to the domestic and worldwide economy; and

Whereas African-American music has a positive impact on and broad appeal to diverse groups, both nationally and internationally: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) recognizes the importance of the contributions of African-American music to global culture and the positive impact of African-American music on global commerce; and

(2) calls on the people of the United States to take the opportunity to study, reflect on, and celebrate the majesty, vitality, and importance of African-American music.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, recognized Mr. NORWOOD and Mr. MARTINEZ, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said concurrent resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said concurrent resolution.

¶110.31 H.R. 4805—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the further unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4805) to require reports on travel of Executive branch officers and employees to international conferences, and for other purposes.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, announced that two-thirds of those present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said bill was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

¶110.32 H. RES. 562—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the further unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H. Res. 562) concerning properties wrongfully expropriated by formerly totalitarian governments.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, announced that two-thirds of those present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶110.33 H. RES. 518—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the further unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 518) calling for free and transparent elections in Gabon; as amended.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said resolution, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, announced that two-thirds of those present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said resolution, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said resolution, as amended, was agreed to and the preamble was amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶110.34 H.R. 1274—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the further unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1274) to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to the Senate amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, announced that two-thirds of those present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof,

the rules were suspended and said Senate amendment was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said Senate amendment was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶110.35 S. 1754—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the further unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 1754) to amend the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize health professions and minority and disadvantaged health education programs, and for other purposes; as amended.

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BOEHLERT, announced that two-thirds of those present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. CAMPBELL objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas 303
Nays 102

¶110.36 [Roll No. 527] YEAS—303

Abercrombie	Cramer	Ganske
Allen	Crapo	Gejdenson
Andrews	Cubin	Gekas
Armey	Cummings	Gephardt
Bachus	Cunningham	Gilchrest
Baesler	Danner	Gilman
Baldacci	Davis (FL)	Gonzalez
Barcia	Davis (VA)	Goodlatte
Barrett (WI)	Deal	Goodling
Bateman	DeFazio	Gordon
Becerra	DeGette	Granger
Bentsen	Delahunt	Green
Berry	DeLauro	Greenwood
Bilbray	Diaz-Balart	Gutierrez
Bilirakis	Dickey	Gutknecht
Bishop	Dicks	Hall (TX)
Blagojevich	Dingell	Hamilton
Bliley	Dixon	Hastert
Blumenauer	Doggett	Hastings (FL)
Blunt	Dooley	Hilleary
Boehlert	Doyle	Hilliard
Boehner	Duncan	Hinchey
Bonilla	Dunn	Hinojosa
Bonior	Edwards	Hobson
Borski	Ehlers	Holden
Boswell	Emerson	Hooley
Boyd	Engel	Horn
Brown (CA)	English	Houghton
Brown (FL)	Ensign	Hoyer
Brown (OH)	Eshoo	Hulshof
Bryant	Etheridge	Hutchinson
Bunning	Evans	Jackson (IL)
Camp	Ewing	Jackson-Lee
Capps	Farr	(TX)
Cardin	Fattah	Jefferson
Carson	Fawell	Jenkins
Castle	Fazio	John
Chenoweth	Filner	Johnson (CT)
Clay	Forbes	Johnson (WI)
Clayton	Ford	Johnson, E. B.
Clement	Fox	Kanjorski
Clyburn	Frank (MA)	Kaptur
Condit	Franks (NJ)	Kelly
Conyers	Frelinghuysen	Kennedy (MA)
Cook	Frost	Kennedy (RI)
Costello	Furse	Kildee
Coyne	Gallagher	Kim